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HEADLINE:

Spring Soiree on March 7, 2009 at Belle Acres in Charlotte to Benefit Dean Barber Memorial Scholarship.

BODY:

A fundraising party entitled Spring Soiree will be held on March 7, 2009, to raise money for a Memorial Scholarship in the name of Dean Barber, a teacher at Myers Park High School. The event will be held at Belle Acres in Charlotte. The band the Fidgits will be playing. Advance tickets can be purchased at www.deanbarberfund.org. A silent auction of fine artwork and other items will be held. All of the proceeds raised from the auction will go towards funding a memorial scholarship in the name of Dean Barber, our art teacher MPHS. The event will begin at 7 pm and end at 11 pm. Tickets are \$35 if purchased on or before March 6th. Ticket price on the day of the event is \$45. Carter Woollen is the fundraising chair for this event.

“This event is a way for Myers Park Alumni and the greater Charlotte community to reconnect with old friends, and also to give back to future students interested in pursuing an education in the Fine Arts.”
-Carter Woollen

The scholarship will be given annually to a Myers Park High School graduate. The scholarship will be awarded based on the candidate's achievements in the visual arts, overall academic achievement and commitment to public service. The first scholarship will be awarded in the Spring of 2009. The fundraiser, started in December, 2006, has a campaign goal of \$25,000.00. To date, the fundraiser has raised over \$7,300.00.

Education Works is a 501(c)(3) non profit corporation and is an all-volunteer organization. More information about the organization can be found at www.deanbarberfund.org.